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MTN DEL GENEVA; USEC BRUSSELS; OECD PARIS

E.O. 11652:

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SUBJECT: SUBSIDY/CVD NEGOTIATIONS - VISIT TO EC, ROME,
LONDON, PARIS

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1. REFTEL TRANSMITTED WITHOUT SECOND PAGE. SHOULD HAVE
READ AS FOLLOWS.

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2. SUBSIDY/COUNTERVAIL NEGOTIATIONS IN MTN ARE REACHING
A CRITICAL POINT. THE U.S. HAS, OVER THE PAST MONTH, BEEN
ENGAGED IN INTENSIVE AND PRODUCTIVE BILATERALS WITH THE
EC COMMISSION (INCLUDING ONE SESSION ON WHICH MEMBER STATES
PARTICIPATED).

3. THE ISSUE IS HIGHLY SENSITIVE AND THE EC NEGOTIATORS

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HAVE INDICATED THAT DISCUSSIONS WITH KEY MEMBER STATES IN CAPITALS WOULD BE USEF;L. ACCORDINGLY, RICHARD RIVERS (GENERAL COUNSEL) AND JOHN GREENWALD (ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL) OF STR WOULD LIKE TO ARRANGE VISITS TO ROME, PARIS AND LONDON AROUND NEXT BILATERAL WITH EC IN GENEVA (SCHEDULED FOR MAY 22-23).

4. WOULD LIKE TO ARRIVE ROME ON THURSDAY, MAY 18 AND MEET WITH APPROPRIATE ITALIAN OFFICIALS MORNING AND EARLY AFTER-NOON OF FRIDAY, MAY 19. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSIS-TANCE IN SETTING UP MEETINGS WITH KEY ITALIAN OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR MTN GENERALLY, AND SUBSIDY/CVD IN PARTICULAR.

5. IN LONDON, WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH ROBIN GREY, SIDNEY GLEASON AND TOM SHARP ON MORNING AND EARLY AFTERNOON OF MAY 25. REQUEST EMBASSY TO SEE IF MEETING CAN BE SET UP.

6. THROUGH FRENCH EMBASSY (COLMANT), HAVE ARRANGED MEETING WITH TESSIER AND PREVEL IN PARIS ON FRIDAY, MAY 26. WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION OF MEETING WITH TESSIER AND PREVEL AND REQUEST THAT POSSIBILITY OF MEETING WITH DEMOREL BE EXPLORED. IN ADDITION, WILL ARRIVE IN PARIS ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 24 FOR LUNCH WITH HELGA STEEG (ARRANGED THROUGH U.S. MISSION TO OECD0. VANCE

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